





AGREEMENT ESTABLISHING AN ALLIANCE BETWEEN

THE MICHIGAN OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH ADMINISTRATION AND

AMERICAN SOCIETY OF SAFETY PROFESSIONALS GREATER DETROIT CHAPTER, WEST MICHIGAN CHAPTER, AND MID-MICHIGAN CHAPTER

The Michigan Occupational Safety and Health Administration (MIOSHA) and American Society of Safety Professionals (ASSP) – Greater Detroit Chapter, West Michigan Chapter, and Mid-Michigan Chapter recognize the value of establishing a collaborative relationship to foster safer and more healthful Michigan workplaces. To that end, MIOSHA and ASSP – Greater Detroit Chapter, West Michigan Chapter, and Mid-Michigan Chapter hereby form an alliance to provide ASSP members and others with information, guidance, and access to training resources that will help them protect the health and safety of workers, particularly by reducing and preventing exposure to occupational hazards, and understand the rights of workers and the responsibilities of employers under the Michigan Occupational Safety and Health Act (MIOSH Act). In developing this alliance, MIOSHA and ASSP – Greater Detroit Chapter, West Michigan Chapter, and Mid-Michigan Chapter recognize that MIOSHA's Consultation Education and Training (CET) Division is an integral part of this effort.

Raising Awareness: Outreach and Communication

The participants intend to work together to achieve the following goals related to raising awareness:

- To develop information on the recognition and prevention of workplace hazards, and to develop ways of communicating such information (e.g., print, and electronic media, electronic assistance tools, and MIOSHA's and the ASSP – Greater Detroit Chapter, West Michigan Chapter, and Mid-Michigan Chapter websites) to employers and workers in the industry.
- To speak, exhibit, or appear at MIOSHA's or ASSP Greater Detroit Chapter, West Michigan Chapter, and Mid-Michigan Chapter's conferences, local meetings, or other ASSP events. ASSP will host at least one Coffee with MIOSHA event per calendar year.

- To share information among MIOSHA personnel and industry safety and health professionals regarding ASSP Greater Detroit Chapter, West Michigan Chapter, and Mid-Michigan Chapter good practices or effective approaches through training programs, workshops, seminars, and lectures (or any other applicable forum) developed by the participants.
- To improve communication and cooperation between chapter members and MIOSHA resulting in improved program delivery and understanding.
- To increase awareness of MIOSHA and the programs CET offers, including consultation and hazard survey visits. A MIOSHA CET consultant will attend at least one ASSP Chapter meeting per year to promote CET services to ASSP members.
- To increase MIOSHA coverage in chapter publications and information about the alliance in MIOSHA publications.

Training and Education

The participants intend to work together to achieve the following training and education goals:

- To develop effective training and education programs for occupational safety and health professionals regarding occupational safety and health and to communicate such information to constituent employers and workers.
- The chapters conduct technical meetings on a regular basis. ASSP chapters will work closely with CET to bring a MIOSHA training program to an ASSP technical meeting at least once per year.
- ASSP Michigan Chapters will promote and encourage the positive relationship with MIOSHA with the student sections.

MIOSHA's alliances provide parties an opportunity to participate in a voluntary cooperative relationship with MIOSHA for purposes such as raising awareness of MIOSHA's rulemaking and enforcement initiatives, training and education, and outreach and communication. These alliances have proved to be valuable tools for both MIOSHA and its alliance participants. By entering into an alliance with a party, MIOSHA is not endorsing or promoting, nor does it intend to endorse or promote, any of that party's products or services.

An implementation team made up of representatives of each organization will meet to develop a plan of action, determine working procedures, and identify the roles and responsibilities of the participants. In addition, they will meet at least three times per year to track and share information on activities and results in achieving the goals of the alliance. MIOSHA team members will include representatives of the MIOSHA CET Division.

The alliance agreement will remain in effect for three years from the date of signing. Any signatory may terminate it for any reason at any time, provided they give 30 days' written notice. This agreement may be modified at any time with the written concurrence of both signatories.

Signed this 23rd day of August 2022

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